GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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MODERNISATION OF RANCHI AIRPORT
DUKHA BHAGAT;LAXMAN GILUWA

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are contemplating to modernise and upgrade the Ranchi airport;

(b) whether any proposal is under consideration of the Government to link Ranchi with other metropolis;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN)

(a) :- The existing airport at Ranchi is suitable to handle the existing Traffic to this station. However, Airport Authority of India as part of its ongoing upgradation/ modernisation, has provided a modern canopy on the city side and expanded car park area, costing approximately Rs.1 crore. In addition, there is also a proposal to expand the Terminal Building to cater to 500 passengers during the Xth Plan period. An amount of Rs.1 crore has been kept in the Annual Plan 2002-2003 towards this work.

(b), (c) & (d) :- Airlines plan their operations on the basis of commercial viability subject to route dispersal guidelines. Indian Airlines/ Alliance Air are linking Ranchi with Patna, Delhi, Mumbai, Lucknow and Kolkata.